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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: ALLTEL Communications, Inc. Petitions for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in Non-Rural Service Areas in the States of Virginia, Alabama, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida CC Docket No. 96-45, DA Nos. 03-1881, 03-1882, 03-3824, 03-3825, 04-999

## Dear Ms. Dortch:

ALLTEL Communications, Inc. ("ALLTEL") further supplements the above-referenced petitions seeking designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in non-rural service areas to provide additional information requested by the Commission. The attached information supplements the commitments made in ALLTEL's March 1, 2004 supplement ("March 1 Supplement") as to its cell site construction plans. <sup>1</sup>

Attachment A is a chart recasting the information shown for all of the proposed new cell sites listed in Exhibit B to the March 1 Supplement and, as requested, adding the population to be served by each new cell site.<sup>2</sup> Attachment B provides maps showing the predicted 32 dBu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter from G. Rabin, ALLTEL, to M. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 96-45, DA Nos. 03-1881, 03-1882, 03-3824, 03-3825 (Mar. 1, 2004) ("March 1 Supplement") (supplementing ALLTEL's non-rural requests for ETC status).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In some cases, the location shown in Attachment A for a new cell site differs from the location shown in Exhibit B to the March 1 Supplement. Exhibit B referred to the area served by the MTSO switch for each cell site, whereas

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contours of each of the cell sites listed in Attachment A.<sup>3</sup> As indicated in the March 1 Supplement, these construction plans must remain flexible and are subject to change in response to general consumer demand and other market factors. In connection with its annual certification, ALLTEL will provide the Commission with information on how high-cost support funds were used.

This information confirms ALLTEL's commitment to the service quality and build-out standards set forth for non-rural ETCs in the *Virginia Cellular*<sup>4</sup> and *Highland Cellular* decisions<sup>5</sup> and respectfully requests a grant of the petitions at the earliest possible date in order to facilitate ALLTEL's provision of the benefits of competition and greater choice to underserved consumers.

Please direct any questions as to this matter to the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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Attachment A shows the actual location of the cell site. Also, one new cell site in Georgia listed in Exhibit B to the March 1 Supplement, identified as "ALB COW," does not appear in Attachment A because it is a mobile tower/antenna with no permanent location. "COW" refers to cell site on wheels.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Because there is no permanent location for the mobile tower/antenna mentioned above, there is also no contour map for that cell site. The information shown for that site in Exhibit B to the March 1 Supplement, however, is correct.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Virginia Cellular, LLC Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Commonwealth of Virginia, 19 FCC Rcd 1563 (2004) ("Virginia Cellular").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Highland Cellular, Inc. Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Commonwealth of Virginia, CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 04-37 (Apr. 12, 2004) ("Highland Cellular").